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FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA IMMEDIATE
INFO AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE
AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CG, OVIP

SUBJECT: VISIT TO ZAIRE BY TREASURY A/S BERGSTEN

1. DEPARTMENT AND TREASURY ARE CONSIDERING THE POSSIBILITY AND USEFULNESS OF A VISIT TO ZAIRE BY TREASURY A/S BERGSTEN ON ROUTE TO APRIL 30 FINAL MEETING OF AFDF SECOND REPLENISHMENT IN LIBREVILLE. PROJECT TRAVEL PLANS: APRIL 27 EARLY EVENING ARRIVE KINSHASA FROM BRUSSELS. APRIL 28 MEETINGS WITH GOZ OFFICIALS INCLUDING PRESIDENT MOBUTU TO DISCUSS MOBUTU PLAN, ECONOMIC REFORM, AND DEBT RESCHEDULING; APRIL 29 VISIT TO INGA DAM VIA HELICOPTER AND LATE AFTERNOON OR EARLY EVENING DEPARTURE FOR LIBREVILLE; APRIL 30 EARLY MORNING OPENING OF AFDF SESSION.

2. KEY DETERMINANTS OF TRIP VIABILITY ARE TIMELY FLIGHT CONNECTIONS TO LIBREVILLE AND ASSURANCE OF MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MOBUTU.

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3. EMBASSY REQUESTED: (A) ASSESS POTENTIAL TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS TO ASSURE A/S ARRIVAL IN TIME FOR AFDF SESSION OPENING. DEPARTURE FOR LIBREVILLE ON APRIL 29 PREFERABLE AS LONG AS INGA DAM VISIT STILL FEASIBLE. APRIL 30 DEPARTURE ACCEPTABLE IF A/S WILL BE ON TIME FOR MEETING. PLEASE EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES OF USE OF DEFENSE

ATT AIRCRAFT IF COMMERCIAL CONNECTIONS NOT SATISFACTORY.

(B) IF EMBASSY IS CERTAIN OF TIMELY FLIGHT CONNECTION
AND FEASIBILITY OF INGA DAM VISIT, THEN DETERMINE
AVAILABILITY AND WILLINGNESS OF PRESIDENT MOBUTU TO
MEET WITH A/S. PLEASE REPLY ASAP BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.

4. DEPARTMENT HAS INFORMED TREASURY OF CURRENT OUTLOOK FOR
HIGH-LEVEL APPOINTMENTS, BASED ON CUTLER/JUNIOR
TELECON. WOULD NONTHELESS, APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER
THOUGHTS YOU MAY HAVE ON LIKELIHOOD OF A BERGSTEN/MOBUTU
MEETING IN RESPONSE TO PARA 2. VANCE

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